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cc H. L. Davis
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Thurston

May 10, 1943

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AS: CURRENT MEXICO DOT CASE

Information has been received from a source whose reliability is undetermined that when the German principals of espionage agents operating in this hemisphere desired to indicate to the agent that dots with instructions are present on his letter the date line would contain Roman numerals.

This does not appear to be borne out by those westbound dot letters intercepted in the above case.

It is nevertheless believed that you will desire to furnish this information to Bermuda to assist in the location of communications containing dots. (S) (U)

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remove the dot by some means other than steam and place the dot on a slide and with a microscope, read the instructions contained therein.

It was interesting to note that when REGUERRA explained the process of dot photography to [redacted] REGUERRA advised that a Contax camera with a Zeiss lens was used. This would seem to confirm the deductions of the Bureau's Laboratory contained in a recent communication to this office, in which the Laboratory advised that in all likelihood either a Leica or a Contax camera was used, but circumstances would seem to favor the use of a Contax.

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Complete details as to the interview of [redacted] will be reported in the case bearing his name.

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Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
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Special Agent in Charge

CC: NY file No. [redacted]

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United States Department of Justice
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April 19, 1943

Director, FBI

Attention: Technical Laboratory

Re: CLOG CASE

Dear Sir:

During the week of April 12 to 17, 1943, inter-views have been conducted of [redacted] bureau file No. [redacted] by agents of the New York Field Office. This individual is one of the German agents taken into custody by the [British at Trinidad], who is being returned to England on the SS MAANKERK which has been taking on stores in New York for the past week. (S) (U)

[redacted] when interviewed by agents familiar with the Clog Case, divulged certain information which he indicated had not heretofore been disclosed to the [British] when he was interviewed at Trinidad. He stated he was acquainted with the fact that the Germans were using micro dot photography in their espionage work when he was in Barcelona, Spain during the Fall of 1942. (S) (U)

The person who was responsible for recruiting [redacted] was LUIS FERNANDEZ DE LA REGUERRA. Although [redacted] was never shown a micro dot enlargement or the process of reduction, it was explained to him by REGUERRA that a typewritten page about five inches by five inches in size could be reduced to the size of a period made by a typewriter, and by using a microscope of at least one hundred power, the dot could be read.

[redacted] was instructed that after his arrival in Mexico he was to establish a Post Office box for himself and when he received a letter which bore a date line in Roman numerals, the fact that the date was set out in Roman numerals was to be a flash to him that the envelope which contained a communication had a micro dot pasted in the seam on the reverse side of the envelope at a point forty millimeters from the lower left hand corner of the envelope.

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VIA DIPLOMATIC POUCH

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RE: GLOG CASE

Dear Sir:

Information has been obtained from [redacted] who was taken into custody at Trinidad and who is presently being returned to England, that he was destined for Mexico City to work as an espionage agent.

He stated that after his arrival in Mexico he was to establish a post office box and when he received a letter having a date line in Roman numerals this fact would act as a flash to him that the envelope had a microdot pasted in the seam on the reverse side of the envelope at a point forty millimeters from the lower left-hand corner.

[redacted] at the time he disclosed this information, indicated that he had not furnished it to the British at the time he was interviewed in Trinidad. (S) (U)

[redacted] has been notified of the information without disclosing to him the source. (S) (U)

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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